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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: BRITISH PROPOSAL FOR ALLIED DEMARCHE TO
SOVIETS ON RUDOLF HESS

REFS: (A) STATE 59153; (B) BONN 4165; (C) BONN 3899

1. WE HAVE INFORMED BRITISH AND FRENCH BONN GROUP
REPS THAT THE SECRETARY INTENDS TO RAISE THE QUESTION
OF AN EARLY RELEASE OF RUDOLF HESS DURING HIS UP-
COMING VISIT TO MOSCOW. BOTH CONSIDER IT LIKELY
THAT PARIS AND LONDON WILL MAKE FOLLOW-UP DEMARCHES
AS SOON AS THEY HAVE RECEIVED REPORTS
OF THE SECRETARY'S DISCUSSIONS IN MOSCOW.

2. IN THAT REGARD, FRG PRESS REPORTS TODAY SAY THAT
PRESIDENT SCHEEL WILL RENEW HIS EFFORTS TO OBTAIN
HESS' RELEASE. THE REPORTS STATE FURTHER THAT STATE
SECRETARY FRANK OF THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE HAS HAD A
MEETING WITH WOLF RUEDIGER HESS ON THE SUBJECT AT THE
BEHEST OF PRESIDENT SCHEEL.

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3. COMMENT: THE DEPARTMENT WILL RECALL THAT SCHEEL
RAISED THE SUBJECT DURING HIS VISIT TO MOSCOW IN 1975.
WE WOULD CONSIDER THIS PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT OF HIS RE-
NEWED INTEREST IN THE RELEASE OF HESS TO BE YET
ANOTHER MANIFESTATION THAT, AS NOTED IN REF C,
RESPONSIBLE LEADERSHIP CIRCLES IN THE FRG ARE NOW

TAKING UP THE CAUSE.
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